

On Wednesday, September 24, 2008, at 2:00 p.m., in room 2247 of the Rayburn House Office Building, the Subcommittee held a hearing titled, "Passing the Baton: Preparing for the Presidential Transition."

This hearing continued the Subcommittee's oversight of the ongoing preparations for the upcoming presidential transition. With only 77 days between the November election and the January inauguration, the transition teams of the executive branch and the incoming administration will have much work to do to ensure that the incoming Administration can begin its work immediately. The hearing reviewed the steps that GSA is taking to fulfill its responsibility to assist members of the incoming and outgoing administrations. The hearing also reviewed expert research on federal executive management challenges surrounding the transition.

## WITNESS LIST

### PANEL I

The Honorable Clay Johnson, Deputy Director for Management, Office of Management and Budget

The Honorable Gene L. Dodaro, Acting Comptroller General of the United States, Government Accountability Office

Gail Lovelace, Chief Human Capital Officer, General Services Administration

### PANEL II

Martha Kumar, Professor, Department of Political Science, Towson University

Jennifer L. Dorn, President and CEO, The National Academy of Public Administration

Don Kettl, Professor, Fels Institute of Government, University of Pennsylvania

Patricia McGinnis, President and CEO, The Council for Excellence in Government

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